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THINKING OUT LOUD

By H. M. L.

We note with surprise that recent commentators on the occupation of Germany indicate our stay will last probably but two and a half years. We doubt very much that regeneration of a nation which for centuries has been a predator, can be effected in that time. It look as if the chiefs in Washington have already heard and heeded the rumblings of American discontent at the prospect of maintaining police troops in Germany for 20 years, which was the first forecast. Having won the victory are we now going to throw the fruits into history's ash can?

We know all about the pressures that arise in our form of government, but time and again throughout our long history, governmental leaders seeing the dangers ahead, have educated the people to the right course of conduct to avoid them. Our leadership will, indeed be delinquent if it throws away this opportunity to make a friendly cooperative people of the Germans. Two and half years of American occupation could not get the Germans through the first primer in decency. Let us be good neighbors, but Heaven forbid that Uncle Sam should become the world's prize sap.

The high ideals painted in sharp, bright colors by our military and governmental leaders during the war, the imminence of a Japanese invasion or a flight of V-2 rockets from Germany, these and other incentives spurred us to a vigorous prosecution of the war regardless of the expense in dollars and in precious lives. The strain is lifted, peace is here. We still want the job of securing world peace well done, but we don't want our boys to do their share in it. Are we rapidly slipping back to where we started?

Now that the war is over there will no longer be the do or die urge to win. We have won, to be sure, but not the peace. That takes time and plenty of hard headed thinking. Is the American people capable of it? We shall see. But the expectation and hope that our occupation of Germany will be for such a short term as two and a half years does not sound reassuring.

We understand quite well that few young men and very few fathers and mothers want to see conscription of youth merely for police duty in Germany and Japan. But if we win any of the fruits of this military victory of such magnitude and portent, our boys will have to pluck them. It won't do to let George do it, because George may get us into another war in one generation.

Let the parents of our young men comfort themselves with the thought that those drafted now will be in no more danger than those who remain in civil life and that they will receive the best of physical care and anything they wish in the way of education that is within reason.

The United States has emerged from the war, the most powerful of all peoples. We believe in our way of life and its propagation among the peoples of the earth. Our world policemen, in a sense, will be missionaries of democracy. Ilt must be in that missionary crusading spirit that we send them abroad to maintain the peace. If we looked at Germany and Japan as peoples who are desperately in need, not so much of religious salvation, as of the rudimentary rights of free men, so rudimentary, or primary, that we take them for granted as we do the air we breath, it will be easier to make these peace time sacrifices.

If we do our part now, manfully play the role which fate has assigned us in world affairs, we feel very confident that we shall win the peace. But it will not be won in a year or two nor in a decade or two. It must be a constant, steady summoning of physical might to back out ideals, a constant process or regenerating people who had dropped back to the bestial level of primitive cave men. These must be reclaimed, inspired, and supported morally and sometimes aided materially, to regain that stature of a free man with responsibilities to his fellow men, that has been lost nationally and individually.

We realize that this is a huge load to shoulder. It means taxes and a rotation of young American soldiers in foreign service. It means a constant prodding of our politicians, often incompetent, in Washington, but we must undertake it, if for no other reason than the very practical one, that this course is far cheaper than another global war.

LIGHTNING FIRES PLAGUE FOREST SERVICE CREWS

Dispatcher Gordon Vance of the Tahoe Natonal Forest reports the lightning storm of August 12 set eight fires on the Truckee District and four on the Sierraville District. All were quickly controlled, except one in Antelope Creek and another on the Blenheim Creek, both on the Sierraville District.

The Antelope Fire was controlled at approximately forty acres and the Blenheim fire 100 acres before being controlled.

Manpower was secured from the Clover Valley Lumber Company at Loyalton, the Calida Lumber Company at Indian Valley and the Oregon Creek Lumber Company at Camptonville. The Army Engineers furnished demolition squads from Camp Beale, and Blister Rust men were sent from the Plumas Forest. Fire overhead was secured from the Angeles, Cleveland, Plumas and San Bernardino National Forests to assist local forest officers.

Supervisor Ellis flew over the Districts locating some fires that would not have been discovered otherwise until they reached larger proportions.

GOLD MINERS MUST BE PAID MINIMUM WAGE

Scores of gold mine operators who are reopening their properties in California, Nevada and Utah must conform to the federal wage and hour law, it was pointed out today by C. O. Atchinson, San Francisco branch office manager for the Wage-Hour and Public Contracts Divisions U. S. Department of Labor.

That means, he said, a minimum of 40 cents an hour and time and one half the regular rate for all work after 40 hours in one week must oe paid employees engaged in interstate commerce or producing goods for interstate commerce.

Mine operators have been advised by the Non Ferrous Metals Commission that they may pay the same wages they did when they closed down, provided their rates then were legal. To avoid incurring possible penalties through payment of unauthorized wage rates, operators likely will find it to their advantage to discuss their wage problems with wage-hour staff, Atchinson said. Any misunderstanding regarding what are and what are not "legal rates" according to the Non Ferrous Metals Commission rulings, can be cleared up and Wage-Hour inspectors will be glad to assist employers in submission of any form necessary to obtain approval of proposed pay scales.

Mrs. Catherine Bennallack to Rest in Cypress Lawn

The remains of Mrs. Catherine N. Bennallack, who died Tuesday night in her home at 236 South School Street, Grass Valley will be taken to San Francisco by the Hooper and Weaver Mortuary for funeral services August 24th and interment in Cypress Lawn Cemetery, San Mateo County.

Mrs. Bennallack a native of Shasta County, was 75 years of age. She was the widow of Mark Bennallack for many years employed in the San Francisco Mint. For several decades she and her family resided in that city.

Surviving are her daughter Mrs. Clifton Michell and son, Eleon B. Bennallack both of Grass Valley.

PRESIDENT OF STATE CHAMBER NAMES FACTORS IN NEW ECONOMY

California's recovery from readjustment problems, including transitory unemployment, can be accelerated through realistic action of the human elements involved—management, workers and public officials—Harrison S. Robinson, President of the California State Chamber of Commerce stated today. He declared the outlook is for California's agricultural and industrial production to increase over pre war figures, though not over the swollen war time output.

"Sudden termination of the war hastens and crystalizes California's anticipated problems of demobilization and conversion of war plants and activities to peace time uses," Robinson said: "Lack of complete preparation for such readjustment is of course a very small price to pay for ending sacrifices of American lives.

"Three human elements can hasten the transition, and stabilize the economic situations involved.

"Management must critically reexamine itself, and set tougher standards for itself. Anybody could make money in war time; only those who have vision and who will make extraordinary efforts will succeed in the years immediately ahead. So much for management.

"Hundreds of thousands of workers in California must regain a peace time slant on a day's work, a day's pay, and on their relationship to the life about them.

"As soon as it shall appear that unemployment exists to a hurtful extent public construction projects should be thrown immediately into the gap, before it widens. Public officials will have to meet the test of their ability, not to announce plans in this connection, but to perform promptly and pratically."

The statewide industrial committee of the California State Chamber of Commerce meets in Los Angeles August 23, to consider the problem, and the Chamber's statewide committee on postawar economies meets in San Francisco September 6. Leaders in the state's industrial fields, and executives of affected governmental agencies, are members of these committees, whose recommendations will be presented to the State Chamber's board of directors meeting September 7 in San Francisco.

"Our optimism for the future is tempered with realistic anticipation of temporary uncertainties and hardships that will arise during relocation of over 1,000,000 Californians now or lately in uniform or war work," Robinson continued. "However, our optimism is based upon conviction that full productive effort in all peace time industries will be needed to meet pent up demands of the public, following war sacrifices and civilian shortages.

"California's industry and agriculture were called upon to continue maximum war efforts up to the day of surrender. Government war time policy opposed any diversion of our plants, materials or manpower from the war effort to preparations for, or reconversion to, peace time production. Subject to these limitations, California industry has made all possible postwar preparations.

"The principal problem will be transsition and adjustment needed to attain full production for peace time. California's warehouses, the transportation facilities and certain industrial plants are jammed with war materials. Time is needed to clear them. Dismissal of surplus war goods and war plants must be accelerated. Private enterprise must have greater flexibility and labor must have greater mobility — and both of these necessitate prompt and orderly relaxation of government controls.

"During the coming year, unemployment in California—as in the nation—will increase sharply in statistical totals. Income and take home pay will decrease and trade may slacken. But, during all of this transition period, employment in peace time manufacturing and especially in trade and service enterprises, will increase rapidly and steadily. California has over $700,000,000 in its unemployment reserve fund, to help cushion the unemployment shock.

ADULTS NEED EDUCATION IN WORLD UNITY

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 23—Education of the American people in the terms of new world organization will be distinctly a problem of adult education.

This is the belief of Dr. Edwin A. Lee, dean of the School of Education on the Los Angeles campus of the University of California.

"It is incenceivable that the fate of world cooperation will have been decided for decades hence before the youth now in high school will have reached voting age. It is an immediate problem of reeducating grown ups which we face. Boys and girls as they come along will have been taught the beginnings and foundations of politics and history necessary for citizenship in a new world organization, but unless their elders have in the meantime been making their influence felt with congressmen and state department and the president of the United States the actual functioning of a new world organization may have been hindered or stalemated beyond hope of reasonable success for a quarter century.

"That the temper of adult Americans is favorable toward active and effective participation in the world organization is abundantly evident in the various polls which were conducted concerning the San Francisco charter and by the impact of public opinion on congress," the educator points out.

BETROTHED

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph W. Day of Gold Flat have announced the engagement of their daughter, Miss Marille Janice Day, to Robert Hopkins, son of Mrs. Betty Hopkins of Cedar Ridge on the Colfax Road.

ATOMIC ENERGY ALREADY UNDER SOME CONTROL

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 23—Release of atomic energy may lead to an age of unbelievable industrial power, provided control of the explosive reaction can be achieved by science, according to Dr. Hans Reichenbach, professor of philosophy on the Los Angeles campus of the University of California and a well known theoretical physicist.

Suggesting that some control had apparently already been established, Reichenbach points out that had this not been the case, the explosion of the first atomic bomb might have started a chain reaction among atoms of other dense matter leading to unchecked disintegration.

Reichenbach explains that the furious energy of the atomic bomb is a result of the virtual destruction of matter, wherein the uranium isotope splits violently into two parts, releasing coruscating burst of heat and other rediations.

The author of a number of works on the atom, Reichenbach formerly taught both philosophy and physics at the University of Berlin and the University of Istanbul.

EASTERN STAR

The Order of Eastern Star resumed meetings with a large number in attendance on Tuesday evening. Worthy Matron Louise Polglase and Worthy Patron Albert Polglase presided.

The following five candidates were initiated, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Smith, Mrs. L. B. Lobdell and Mrs. Marille Day into membership. Mrs. Charles Elliott sang during the ceremony.

Refreshments were served by a committee under the chairmanship of Mrs. G. M. Nearpass. The tables were tastefully decorated with colorful fans and flowers.

Several members from Smartsville Chapter came over for the evening.

H. E. Kjorlie Given Year's Leave of Absence

H. E. Kjorlie, Nevada City Unified School District superintendent, has been granted a leave of absence by the board of school directors. His place has not yet been filled.

Kjorlie reportedly is to take over the management of a private hospital in Oregon for the year.

War Veteran Takes Post at Big Bend

Harlow W. Wood, administrative assistant to Tahoe National Forest Supervisor Guerdon Ellis, has assigned a war veteran, Thomas Devine who has just been honorably discharged after long service in the signal corps of the army in Europe, to a post as fire dispatcher of the Big Bend Ranger Station.

Wood stated that the veteran's experience in the signal corps and in communications specially fitted him to take the post at Big Bend.

City Council Raises Tax Rate 10 Cents

The city council meeting in special session Saturday night adopted a tax rate of $1.30. This is 10 cents higher than the rate last year.

The council also prepared to enlange the fill in Washington Street across Buckeye Ravine. Heavy traffic in logs and lumber have not only weakened walls of the fill but have caused it to settle.

Fire at Rough and Ready Stamped Out

The State Division of Forestry summoning 80 fire fighters from various camps to battle a brush and grass fire along the ridge south of Rough and Ready, Nevada County Tuesday, and it was announced yesterday that it was well under control.

Twenty boys from the California Youth Authority camp at the Calaveras big trees were brought to the scene to do the mopping up of the smoldering embers and to relieve suppression crews.

Mrs. Edith Rowe of Grass Valley Passes

Graveside services will be held this afternoon under direction of Hooper and Weaver Mortuary for Mrs. Edith Appleton Rowe, who died in Oakland Tuesday. The remains rest in the Foresters Cemetery, Grass Valley. Rev. Samuel Tamblyn will conduct the service.

Mrs. Rowe had been confined to her bed for several years. She was a native of Grass Valley born 72 years ago. Surviving are her sons, Eugene and Thomas Rowe, and daughters, Mrs. Lucille Porter and Mrs. Dottie Hicks, and five grandchildren, all reside in the San Francisco bay region.

New Manager for Auto Assn.

Resignation of Lou P. Volz, district manager for the California State Automobile Association in Nevada, Placer and Sierra Counties and the appointment of Kenneth D. McCray as his successor in the Association's Auburn district office, was announced here this week by E. G. Williams, field secretary of the motorists organization.

Volz is resgning, after more than twenty years with the Automotive Association, largely for reasons of health, he explained, though he plans to remain in Auburn and engage in the life insurance business.

McCray has been an association representative in Fresno County for a number of years and is a veteran of World War II. He recently received his honorable discharge after two and one half years service in Army Air Corps ground crews. He will make his home in Auburn with his wife and son.

LIGHTNING FIRES IN FOREST

Lightning fires were reported Sunday evening in the Tahoe national forest extending through the Truckee and Lake Tahoe area. Six were detected by lookouts.

Ranger Peter Land of the Sierraville ranger district in Sierra County flew a plane over the territory. The Civil Public Service camp at Forest Hill dispatched fire fighters and 12 men were loaned by Plumas national forest to stamp out some of the incipient blazes.

FARMERS FREE MARKET IS OPEN

The Farmers Free Market near the junction of the Nevada City-Grass Valley Highway and Lake Olympia, opened for business Tuesday. David Lamson, short story author, was market master for the first day.

Farmers, business men, and consumers gathered Sunday for a big days work in completing the stalls for use of vegetable, fruit, and dairy commodity producers. Following a hearty lunch rules were adopted to govern the use of the market.

During the inital days of the market members of the commitee placed in charge of its establishment will serve as market masters on a voluntary basis. Lamson was market master today. On Saturday, August 25th, A. M. Holmes will be in charge. On Tuesday, August 28th, Frank Finnegan will oversee the market.

Rules adopted provide that all farmers, members of their families, or men hired by them on a permanent basis may sell produce in the market. Growers offering produce in the market must accept the space assigned them by the market master. Fees will range from 10 cents to $1.00 depending on quantities of produce offered. Prices of commodities must be posted.

Growers must maintain their stalls in a clean and sanitary condition and leave them clean at the end of the market day. Peddlers will not be permitted market facilities. No resales can be made at the market and no commissions may be paid in connection with sales. All sales are subject to local, state and federal regulations.

The committee in charge of the community enterprise consists of David Lamson, chairman, Wesley B. Donnenwirth, William Durbrow, George Raddue, William Argall, Larry Farrell, H. S. Foreman, A. M. Holmes, Rev. Cedric Porter, William Wasley, Harry H. Hyatt, Leonard Lageson and William O. Hill.

David Lamson, committee chairman, said: "The Nevada County Farm Market is a non-profit, community enterprise, initiated by a joint committee of the Grass Valley and Nevada City Chambers of Commerce, built by voluntary labor, with materials purchased by the board of supervisors.

"The purpose of the market is to provide a means whereby Nevada County growers may sell the products of their farms and gardens directly to the people of the community.

"The Farm Market Committee taxes this means of thanking all those who have contributed in preparing the market. The market is built and ready. Its success now depends upon two groups—the producers and consumers.

"Nevada County produces the very finest quality of fruits and vegetables, but until this time only a small part of it has reached Nevada County tables. If now the farmers will bring their produce to market and if the housewives will patronize the market, we believe the entire community will gain by the exchange.

There were more buyers than sellers when the market which opened Tuesday. David Lamson, said that more than 200 buyers had appeared from the two cities, and that farmers who did appear sold out in short order.

He stated that more farm produce could have been sold if growers had brought it to market. Charles Fain, Placer County farmer from the vicinity of Auburn sold several hundred pounds of peaches and tomatoes. Tom Wasley, Gold Flat, adjoining Nevada City, specialized in fresh green corn. Elton Tobiassen, son of Sheriff and Mrs. Carl J. Tobiassen, produces vegetables and other farm products on the county farm, was among the first to take over one of market stalls with a wide variety of produce.

Still working to complete the market building and adjacent structures were David Lamson, A. M. Holmes, and Andrew W. Rogers. The latter is a member of the Grass Valley AFL Carpenters Union, and enrolled 15 carpenters from his organization for volunteer labor Sunday.

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A RECONVERSION "MUST"!

The arresting statement that federal government civilian job-holders have grown to a host so vast that it is the numerical equivalent of half the entire population of California was made the other day by a Californian who is wise by experience in the ways of government.

"Right now there are 3,417,198 men and women on the federal civilian payroll," declared Earl Lee Kelly, former director of the State Department of Public Works. "and their salaries are costing a year—almost the total cost of operating the federal government in normal times! Early reduction of this overgrown governmental army to normal proportions would be a sound move toward economy and efficiency in public affairs, and an encouragement to taxpayers now burdened with the world's record public debt."

Even at the peak of World War I, the U. S. government had fewer than one million civilian employees. To cut the abnormal job list by millions and its payroll by billions, now that the war is over, should indeed be a reconversion "must."—Contributed.

LEST WE FORGET

The Jap, in the chagrin of defeat, has stepped out of character long enough to let slip a plain warning that this war will be resumed if and when he is able to strike again.

It has been the Jap's way to strike without warning, as the Russians learned when the Japanese opened fire first and declared war afterward in 1904, and as the nation learned at Pearl Harbor. For once, rage has overcome the treacherous caution of Jap spokesmen.

"We have lost, but this is temporary," declared Kusho Oya, chief of the overseas bureau of the Japan Broadcasting Corporation. "We have bowed to the enemy's material and scientific power. However, in spiritual power we have not lost yet. We do not think the way we have thought has been wrong."

Even more direct was the statement in defeat of the influential Jap newspaper "Yomiuri Hochi."

"In a man's life, there are ups and downs," the paper told the people in an editorial. "Likewise, in history, nations have their rise and fall. It is sufficient if we conquer, in the final stage, the temporary adverse circumstances and obstacles."

In time, the civilized world hopes, the mad lust for world conquest may fade from the national consciousness of the Japs. Until that time comes, if ever it comes, this nation should never make the fatal mistake of relaxing her vigilance in the Pacific. The American people crushed the rattler's head into the soil of its lair—and the rattler dreams of revenge upon us.

Let this people never forget.—Contributed.

CONGRESS FACES CRISIS

Congress will reconvene to confront the war's aftermath of the weightiest responsibilities ever laid upon a free legislative body. On the unprecedented agenda are such "crisis" matters as reorganization of governmental structure, economic reconversion, taxation, veterans' welfare, surplus property disposal and labor management relations — all made more baffling by confusion of circumstance.

To cite an instance: The Selective Service Act provides that a veteran who returns to his pre-war employer must be given back his old job. Sounds simple. However, last week a Cincinnati firm gave back their old jobs to three veterans. The veterans refused to join a CIO union, and the union threatened to strike if the veterans weren't fired.

Jurisdiction is held by both the War Labor Board and the National Labor Relations Board—and claimed by the union! Still unsettled, to cite another example of the current confusion, is the wrangle between the Department of Justice and the Interstate Commerce Commission over authority to regulate railroads—a dispute which led to the actual filing of anti trust suits against the carriers for procedures with which the ICC found no fault. Probably congress will solve this particular snarl by passing the Bulwinkle bill, which would confine regulatory power over the railroads to the ICC. Yet for every national problem for which a legislative solution appears imminent, there are countless others for which solutions yet must be conceived and developed.

This first post war congress has opportunity to go down in history as one of great and lasting achievement. If it does, its members will earn the distinction—for their tasks call for the utmost in intelligence, foresight and patriotism. In a word for statesmanship.—Contributed.

NAVY HOUSING SHORTAGE IN S. F. STILL ACUTE

Military housing problems in the bay area have become more acute since announcement of Japanese surrender overtures, Lieut. Com. H. D. Huxley, USNR, 12th Naval District, Housing Officer, reported today.

Applications for housing are continuing at the rate of more than 100 a day in the Army-Navy Housing Bureau but there has been a sharp decrease in the number of houses, apartments and rooms listed by the property owners as available for occupancy by military personnel.

With a backlog of several thousands of requests for quarters the bureau is able to place only 25 to 30 per cent of the new applicants. Half of these want furnished rooms. The other half seeks houses and apartments.

A recent survey shows no appreciable drop in military housing requirements in the area can be expected for at least one year.

Capt. C. W. Brashears, USN, assistant chief of staff for personnel of the 12th Naval District, said: "We expect the district personnel to remain at approximately its present strength for at least a year. In addition, it looks as if there will be twice as many transients passing through San Francisco."

Commandants of all continental Naval districts have been warned by the Bureau of Naval Personnel that the flow of personnel being returned from overseas for demobilization will at times greatly exceed the capacity of separation centers and that housing facilities must be provided to take care of the overflow.

The Secretary of the Navy has also informed the commandant, 12th Naval District, that "the work of repair, reconversion and decommissioning of large numbers of ships, aircraft and the laying and storage of large amounts of ammunition and other supplies will require large forces at these stations (West Coast Navy Yards, ordnance and supply depots.)

Officers of the army's port of embarkation here said their staffs will be increased during the next six months to handle the increased flow of troops home from the Pacific.

PEARL HARBOR, (Territory of Hawaii)—With the Central Pacific Ocean Area as its campus the "University of the Pacific" offers courses to 8880 naval officers and enlisted men, the largest overseas educational program in the U. S. Navy.

There are 397 classes conducted to give personnel in the 14th Naval District an opportunity to better their ratings and prepare for a post war vocation.

A faculty of over 300 qualified teachers cover subjects ranging from mathematics, the sciences, economics history, and art to business subjects, engineering, English, foreign languages, naval science and psychology. Classes are taught on high school, college and vocational levels.

The "university" curriculum depends on the desires of the personnel and is limited only by the availability of text materials.

"Whatever the man wants to study, we try to make available," said Lieut. Paul J. Boylan, USNR, of 11 Bagnell Street, Allston, Mass., Educational Service Director, and former Boston high school teacher

There are 10 educational service centers operating throughout the district, with the center at Pearl Harbor offering the most extensive program. Over 4800 officers and men currently are enrolled in 155 off duty classes. These classes meet twice weekly for 90 minutes and examinations are given at the end of each course. Official report that credit is usually granted by civilian educational institutions upon the student's request, and presentation of the navy awarded certificate for successful completion of his course.

The educational centers assist the fleet units in arranging courses and many classes are conducted aboard ships which roam the vast Pacific. Wherever it is impossible to organize classes directly, correspondence courses are made available to naval personnel. More than 16,000 correspondence courses were provided by educational services officers in the 14th Naval District within the last year, apart from those supplied by the Central Pacific branch of the U. S. Armed Forces Institute.

Training officers report that there is a growing desire on the part of Navy personnel to supplement experience already obtained in the navy with study pointing toward particular postwar vocations.

SHARP CUT IN RATION BOARD CLERICAL HELP

Moving swifty to adapt its operation to the transsition to peace, the Regional Office of Price Administration today announced reduction of its paid clerical force in War Price and Rationing Boards in the six western states by 1641 positions at an annual saving of $2,912,775.

The reduction will be started immediately as a basis for transferring some of OPA's present personnel to the agency's reconversion pricing program, according to Charles R. Baird, Regional Administrator, in a statement released here by Gilbert McNeill, District Director.

Today's action was interpreted by OPA officials here to presage gradual concentration of local Board activities in a materially reduced number of Area Price Control Panels, or Boards, in communities to be selected in the region. California, Nevada, Arizona, Oregon, Washington and Northern Idaho.

Local War Price and Rationing Boards have been swinging more and more into the price control field for some time past, Baird pointed out, and the policy announced today will step up that trend, a necessary corollary of reconversion.

Baird said that elimination of gasoline rationing cut local Board work materially, and the reduction in clerical staff approximately matches that saving. At the same time, the Regional Administrator emphasized that funds saved by staff reductions in the local Boards will be reallocated in part to meet the increased costs of the stepped up enforcement and reconversion pricing programs.

As a first step, he said, OPA's national headquarters in Washington has authorized employment of 76 additional persons in the price division in this region to handle reconversion pricing and ceilings on building and construction materials.

Baird declared that in the anticipated post war construction boom, control of building material and construction prices will be a major factor in the preservation of a non inflationary national economy.

Reduction of the clerical staff in local boards, he continued, is expected to be accomplished within three months. The OPA is required to give employees 30 days natice before separation from their jobs.

In the meantime, the Regional Administrator said, the local War Price and Rationing Boards will continue to operate "along the same lines they have for the past three years, with the difference, of course, that as the work load changes, local board employees will be shifted to other fields as their services may be needed."

Baird made it clear that OPA will continue to have need "for some time to come" for volunteers including its community service members.

"As the remaining rationing programs are cancelled, however, the emphasis in the local boards will shift to price," he added, "when rationing is over, the price panels of our 854 local War Price and Rationing Boards in this region will be consolidated and combined into area price panels, or Price Control Boaards. Clerical help will be assigned from the terminated rationing programs to those area panels, and the professional investigative staff from the District Office Enforcement Division will work in close cooperation with these enlarged price panels."

Baird said he expected that "Our gretest pressure on prices will come at the retail level, and unless we have effective price control at retail, we will be unable to witsstand those pressures."

Naval Personnel School Enrolls 4800 Students

"This process of developing and increasing peace time jobs must be quickened, to alleviate temporary hardships and avoid development of a depression psychology. It is an inevitable, but temporary, phase of readjustment to be planned for and dealt with on that basis. Recognition of this situation will minimize fear that might confuse California's economy at a time when bold action, based upon confidence in the future, is most essential.

"California individuals and business firms now have nearly 15 billion dollars in liquid assets, as compared to less than five billions in 1940. Investment and spending of these vast savings for peace time products and service facilities will go far toward replacing wartime government spending of borrowed funds.

"Hundreds of large industrial firms have completed plans for conversion and expansion of California factories, or location of branch plants here. These plans await only the release of materials, manpower or plants now in war production. Existing commercial manufacturing firms contemplate employing 40 to 50 percent more workers than they employed in 1939.

"California enters postwar fields better prepared than most states to reach new peace time production heights. Our wide diversity in food and manufactured products is further strengthened by the consistent pre war demand for these throughout the world. Peace time will not decrease this demand.

"However, no one in California expects expanded peace time manufacturing in California to employ initially more than 600,000, as compared to the 1,200,000 mobilized for three shift war manufacturing at the peak of 1943. Some believe that the greater number of new job opportunities for the next year or two will be in trade and service activities, and in construction, while industrial programs are getting set and plants are expanded or established, but many a California firm making civilian good is begging for workers."

Other steps to accelerate readjustment outlined by Robinson, include the following:

1—Relax government economic controls at such time and manner as will give capital and labor greatest possible mobility and release private initiative. In certain areas controls must continue to avoid disastrous consequences.

2—Prevent development of deep "pools" of unemployment in certain war boom communities. This may involve aid in movement of workers to other localities or occupations with expanding opportunities, as well as retraining and improvement in public employment service.

San Francisco's Chinatown has its own telephone exchange, post office branch, schools, playgrounds, hotels, theatres, night clubs and hospital.

The Piute Indians of Owens Valley have been described by H. H. Bancroft as a sub-tribe of the Utahs.

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Mrs. Lillian Faup is seriously ill at the Miners Hospital. She is attended by Dr. Norbert Frey.

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CHAPTER XXI

The General said: "Right, stop the carts. Lousy Italians trying to hold up the whole damn invasion. They better carry out the order."

Lieutenant Byrd droned on, hardly noticing what he read: "On July 20, guards were removed on order of Major—"

Lieutenant Byrd suddenly realized what he was reading. He put the memorandum down and picked up the next.

But the General Roared: "Finish it, finish it."

The Lieutenant read: "—were removed on order of Major Victor Joppolo, Civil Affairs Officer, town of Adano, because carts were essential to town and town was—"

Now the General had forgotten about finishing the memorandum. "Joppolo," he shouted, and his face was the color of distant mountains. "Joppolo."

General Marvin's memory worked in a peculiar fashion. "Middleton!" he shouted. "Come in here, Middleton."

The Colonel came in.

"Middleton, remember the name of Joppolo, a lousy little wop named Joppolo?"

Colonel Middleton said, with a tired face: "Yes, sir. The carts."

General Marvin bellowed: "I just remembered something. That wop was out of uniform that day. You remember? He had on pinks and a khaki shirt. You remember that, Middleton?"

Colonel Middleton said: "No sir, I had forgotten that."

The General shouted: "Well, I remember it. I've had enough of that little upstart. You know what he's done now, Middleton?"

Colonel Middleton said with a tired voice: "No sir."

"Damn him, he had the nerve to let the carts back in that town, what the hell was the name of that—"

Lieutenant Byrd said: "Adano, sir."

"Adano. Damn upstart."

Colonel Middleton said: "Perhaps there was some reason why he had to—"

"Damn you, Middleton, you're getting too independent minded."

Colonel Middleton said: "Yes sir."

Lieutenant Byrd said: "It goes on to say here, sir: 'carts were essential to town and town was in bad shape without same.'"

The General stood up: He said: "I've had enough of that little wop. Middleton."

"Yes sir," the tired voice said.

"Make out an order recalling that Italian wop from that town, what's the name—"

Lieutenant Byrd said: "Adano, sir."

"Order him to report back to Algiers for reassignment. Make out a separate report to Algiers explaining why. I'll fix that little wop. Get it off today, too, none of your delays, Middleton."

"Yes sir," the tired voice said.

The day before the party, the fisherman named Agnello and his men talked about it as they fished.

"Are you going, Merendino?" Agnello asked.

Merendino, who was not one to commit himself too far, said: "I have been invited."

Sconzo, the youngest of Adano's fishermen, said: "I am going. You'd better go, Merendino. I hear that we fishermen are lucky. Mostly the guests will be officials and big people, but because of Tomasino—"

Agnello said: "And perhaps because the daughters of Tomasino are not pock-faced."

Sconzo said: "Perhaps," and laughed.

The men hauled in their net. They spilled the shining, flopping fish into the bins. They were good fish, mostly of the four- and five-lira grades.

Sconzo said: "It is a rare chance for us fishermen, Merendino. You'd better go."

Merendino said: "I will think about it."

They let the net over the side again, and Merendino took the wheel as the boat moved away from the net. As they slowly pulled away, Sconzo lay down at the very bow, with his cheek on the hawser eye, and he watched the forefoot cutting the water and the reflection of the upper parts of the bow moving across the glassy water. It was one of those rare Mediterranean days with not a breath of air on the deep blue water.

Sconzo watched the image of old Lojacono's painting of the Mister Major riding a porpoise. It skimmed along on the water and sometimes actually seemed to be a man riding a fish along the surface.

Sconzo said: "Do you think the Mister Major is in love with the blonde one? I heard he had his arm around her when the prisoners came back without her Giorgio the other day."

Merendino said: "It is none of my business."

Agnello said: "I think he is."

Sconzo said: "We will see tomorrow night at the party."

Agnello said: "Merendino, don't you think perhaps we are getting too far inshore?"

Merendino said: "I will look at the chart."

Sconzo said: "He's just trying to get away from Tomasino's boat. Old Tomasino splashes his net so much that he scares the fish away. Tomasino has such a bad temper, he's probably angry with the fish and that's why he splashes the net. Merendino's just trying to work the boat away from Tomasino's, aren't you, Merendino?"

Merendino said: "I do not think Tomasino is angry at the fish."

Agnello said "We'd better not get in too far. We were warned about what would happen if we went out of the zone which they marked for us on the chart."

Merendino looked at the chart and then at the headlands up and down the coast and he said: "Perhaps we are a little far inshore." And he put the wheel over and headed out, but diagonally away from Tomasino's boat.

Sconzo said: "Personally I like the younger daughter of Tomasino better than the blonde. I like honesty in the color of hair."

Agnello said: "Not that either of Tomasino's daughters would pay any attention to you, Sconzo."

Sconzo said: "Oh, I think I could make an impression if I wanted to."

Agnello mimicked Sconzo: "'If I wanted to.'" And then he said: "What makes you think you could? Your nose is too big."

Sconzo said: "What makes you think the daughters of Tomasino are so hard to impress? What do you think, Merendino?"

Merendino said: "I think that people with big noses who are fishermen are apt to retain a smell of fish in their nostrils after working hours, and sometimes they attribute the smell of fish to the young ladies they are with. I think it is time to pull the net in."

The three men stood and began to tug at the net.

"We have a good catch this time," Sconzo said. "Feel that load."

They pulled some more, then Agnello said: "It feels sluggish. It

"Order him to report back to Algiers for reassignment."

does not have the lively feeling of a good haul of small fish. Don't you agree, Merendino?"

Merendino said: "I never divide the fishes into grades until they are in the bins."

But as the net came in it became more and more obvious that the net had something besides little fish in it.

Sconzo said: "Maybe Lojacono's painting has attracted a porpoise. Maybe Lojacono painted a she-porpoise and maybe it is the mating season among porpoises."

Agnello said: "It doesn't feel right. It feels like the time we pulled in the hogshead of nafta."

Merendino made a positive statement: "It feels like something we do not usually catch."

The boat had come around as the men hauled at the net. They were pulling the dripping net in over the starboard bow by this time.

When the net was almost in, Sconzo said: "Wait a second, let me look and perhaps I can see what we have before we haul it aboard."

He lay down at the bow again, and put his cheek on the hawser eye again, and looked. What he saw was the last he ever saw.

"Stop!" he shouted. "Stop hauling!"

But it was too late. The slow forward motion of the boat and the slow reactions of the heaving fishermen drove the bow onto the mine.

The explosion could be heard easily in the town. The wives of farmers and land laborers thought it was just some blasting by engineers. But the wives of fishermen ran down to the harbor and looked out over the water.

There they saw unusual activity among the fishing boats. They were all clustered together, and there were one, two—only five!

At the moment of the explosion, Tomasino turned toward the point where Agnello's boat had been. Fortunately Tomasino had his net in and could move fairly quickly.

When they reached the place they found only splinters of wood, many dead fish floating, dead Agnello floating, dead Merendino, and some pieces of Sconzo.

Tomasino and his men hauled the two whole bodies aboard as the other fishing boats came up.

Tomasino shouted to the others: "Continue to fish. Move farther offshore. I will take Agnello and Merendino in."

Someone from another boat shouted: "And Sconzo?"

"Sconzo," said Tomasino, not looking at the small pieces of Sconzo floating in the water, "is missing."

Tomasino was careful to take bearings on the headlands with his compass before he started in.

One of his men said, "It is too bad about Sconzo. He wanted very much to go to the party tomorrow night. He has talked of nothing else for three days."

Another of Tomasino's helpers said: "Sconzo liked parties. Except for his nose he was handsome."

Agnello and Merendino were just as dead as Sconzo, but their deaths seemed less terrible since they were not missing, as Tomasino put it. That is why the men talked about Sconzo as they went in, and not about the other two.

As soon as they tied up, Tomasino jumped ashore and walked quickly uptown to the Palazzo. He was the first to bring the news to the Major.

"Good afternoon, Tomasino," the Major said cheerfully. "I'm looking forward to the party tomorrow night. I hear you are one of the hosts."

Tomasino's face was black with misery, but the Major had not thought that unusual.

"I cannot go," Tomasino said.

"Why not, Tomasino? It wouldn't be the same without you."

Tomasino said grimly: "I came to talk about the explosion. Did you hear the explosion?"

Major Joppolo said: "I did hear an explosion. About half an hour ago, was it?"

Tomasino said: "About half an hour ago."

"What was it?"

"One of my ships. A mine, I suppose, just as you warned."

The Major stood up. His face had gone white as soon as Tomasino started talking about the explosion. He went around his desk to Tomasino and put a hand on his arm.

"It is my fault, Tomasino, not yours," he said.

"It was Agnello's fault," Tomasino said. "He was too far in. I took bearings, and I know that he was outside the fishing zone."

"I am sorry," the Major said.

Tomasino said: "Why are you sorry? I thought you would be angry."

"I feel as if I had killed your men, Tomasino."

"Accidents happened here before you came, Mister Major. Men have died here before."

And so it happened that before he left, Tomasino was consoling the Major instead of being berated by him for allowing carelessness in the fishing fleet.

As Tomasino started to go, the Major said: "You will continue to fish?"

Tomasino said: "Of course. Four of the boats are still out."

The Major said: "Good, Tomasino." Then he said: "I'm sorry about tomorrow night."

Tomasino said: "I am sorry too. But it would not be decent. I am supposed to be the head of the fishermen."

Major Joppolo hesitated. Then he said, trying to sound delicate about it: "Do you feel that your family should stay away as well?"

Tomasino looked at Major Joppolo's face. Tomasino looked no less sad as he said: "No, I think Tina should go."

The day of the party came, and many things happened.

At about 9:30 in the morning, a U. S. Navy truck pulled up in front of the Palazzo. A Chief Petty Officer and five men unloaded a crate from it onto the sidewalk, and the Chief went inside and delivered a note for Major Victor Joppolo.

Major Joppolo was busy at his desk, and had not noticed the truck. He opened the note and read:

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The Major jumped up and shouted: "Where is it?"

Zito the usher said: "Where is what, Mister Major?"

The Major said: "The bell! The bell! They have brought us our bell." And he ran out on the balcony just in time to see the Navy truck pull away. He saw the crate sitting there on the sidewalk.

Major Joppolo shouted down to an M.P. in front of the Palazzo. "Hey, stand guard over that box, don't let anybody walk off with that."

The M.P. grumbled out loud, but not loud enough for Major Joppolo to hear: "From the way them sailors was gruntin' and groanin', don't strike me that nobody's goin' to strut off with that thing."

The Major hurried back inside, and he said to Zito: "How long did you say it took them to take the old bell down, Zito?"

Zito said: "They had to use six sets of block and tackle. It took them two days to get it down. Then one day to crate it."

The Major said: "I can't wait that long."

He went to the phone and called up the Engineers.

"Major Harvey, please. . . . Major? This is Joppolo. Say, I wonder if you could arrange to do this town a big favor. We've got a delicate job to do, and I'm afraid the workmen we could round up to do it would take ages and maybe hack it. The job is raising a new bell on the clock tower of the Town Hall here. I guess it would take about eight men, and if you've got a good strong block and tackle, and maybe a tow truck to haul out the tackle and raise the bell. . . . You can? That's swell. Can they start right in? What time you think they could get here? Okay, I'll be on hand at eleven thirty to tell them what to do. Don't know how to thank you, Major."

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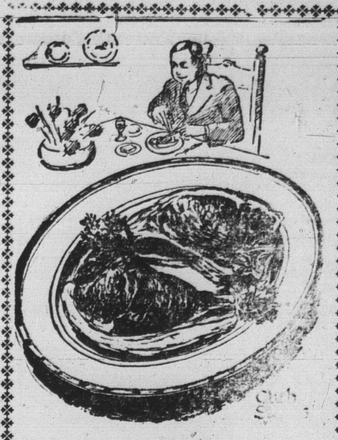

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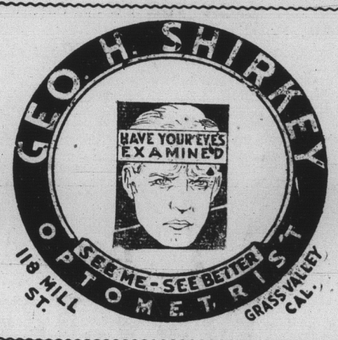

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An analysis of this new law, together with scores of amendments to the Vehicle Code, approved by Governor Warren is contained in a summary issued today by the legislative Bureau of the California State Automobile Association. All measures except those carrying an emergency clause, become effective on September 15.

First offenders, convicted of drunk driving, will have their licenses suspended for a thirty day period, under mandatory provisions amended into the Motor Vehicle Code. A second conviction will carry a suspension for a ninety day period, and thereafter, "proof of ability to respond in damages" will be required before the driving license can be restored. No more probationary licenses will be issued to persons convicted of drunk driving. The law was also amended to increase from ten to sixty days the period during which a driver whose license has been suspended or cancelled for cause may demand a hearing before the Director of the Department of Motor Vehicles.

Use of lamps or signal devices on any vehicle to indicate an intention to turn either to the right or left is permitted through another amendment authorizing the Department of Motor Vehicles to determine the engineering requirements of such a device.

The law limiting the placing of windshield stickers to a seven inch square on the lower right hand corner of the windshield was amended so as to permit the placing of stickers also on the side windows to the rear of the driver and so placed as not to interfere with the driver's view of approaching traffic, to avoid so many stickers on the front windshield.

Other major amendments summarized by the Automobile Association's Legislatuve Bureau are as follows:

Authorizes motorists who changes his address to mark out the old address on the face of his registration card, and write in the new address. Notice of change of address must be forwarded to Motor Vehicle Department within ten days however.

Provides for the issuance of junior licenses to persons between the ages of 14 and 16, but restricts operation to the parents' or employer's vehicle to and from school or work unless accompanied by an adult. This measure, now in effect, authorizes issuance of instruction permits for driver training and education in the public schools. The affidavit as to necessity for the license is deleted.

Issuance of temporary chauffers licenses to persons 16 years old for transporting agricultuhal products, war materials, or essential merchandise extended another two years as a wartime emergency measure.

Requires driver involved in a fatal traffic accident to report the accident immediately to the police or highway patrol, instead of within 24 hours, as heretofore.

Increases penalty for violation of pedestrian right of way at a crossfalk, where injury or death occurs, to a maximum fine of $500 or six months jail sentence or both. The penalty heretofore has been a maximum fine of $50, and not exceeding 5 days in jail. A person causing the death of a pedestrian would also be subject to conviction of manslaughter.

Prohibits the locking of a parked vehicle in which there is a person who cannot escape readily therefrom. This amendment is intended primarily for the protection of young children.

Requires that every traffic arrest citation issued by an officer shall include all the information set forth upon the copy of such citation which is later filed by the officer with the magistrate. Another amendment also requires the trial court, upon receiving a plea of guilty and before passing the sentence, to inform the defendant fully of any additional evidence which would increase the severity of the punishment and to give the defendant the opportunity to answer.

The legislature also added a new section to the Vehicle Code designed to clarify the situation as to Certificates of Title for out of state cars, where the owner does not have all the necessary papers.

WASHINGTON NOTES

By Congressman Clair Engle

RED BLUFF, Aug. 20—Eearly return to Washington: The reconvening of Congress on the 5th of September will make it necessary for me to return a month earlier than I had anticipated. Originally congress recessed until October 8th. The latter date gave some opportunity to cover the vast Second Congressional District and discuss with community leaders their post war problems. I am especially disappointed is asmuch as I cancelled a trip to Europe in order to get out into the District. However, I do expect to make three trips. I will be in Placerville, Jackson, Sonora, Mariposa and the southern area the week of August 20th; in Yreka, Mount Shasta Dunsmuir, Alturas and the northern area during the week of August 27th; on September 3rd in Bridgeport and September 4th in Bishop. I wish to invite those communities which I have been unable to visit to contact me at my Washington office.

AUBURN RESTAURANTS REOPEN

The Auburn restaurants have decided to reopen and commenced operation on Thursday the 16th day of August. They may have to close again. Their case, as well as that of the restaurants in San Francisco and other areas in California, has been presented to the Senate Committee on Small Business. Dewey Anderson the Executive Secretary of that Commitee, hashas been in California, has made a personal investigation of the matter and is taking the data he has accumulated back to Washington for the benefit of the Senate Committee. He indicated to me that he felt that some relief was in sight for the restaurants in the way of increase on their point allocations. I am convinced from a careful review of the matter that the present allocation is inadequate and will have to be revised.

GOLD MINES READY TO GO

A brief visit to Grass Valley and Nevada City developed that the two major gold mine properties in that area are already to get into production as soon as they can get sufficient manpower. At the present time manpower is not available but cutbacks on war production in the metropolitan area should somewhat relieve that situation. Many of the smaller gold mines throughout the Second District, however, will be unable to get into operation. They not only have expensive problems of reopenin, but most of them cannot operate at a profit on $35 gold with the present high cost of labor and material. I have been urging the gold mining industry to agree upon the assistance which they think will be most beneficial to them in getting started. Generally speaking, it is agreed that the gold miners need liberal financing in order to reopen the mines and an increased price or premium on newly mined domestic gold.

HOUSING SHORTAGE CONTINUES

Recently there were fifteen applications for permits for new housing with the National Housing Agency from this district. The end of the war will not bring any relief to our communities on their housing problems as some may suppose. We have thousands of new comers in California and a great many of them intend to stay. In addition, the military personnel from the Pacific will be slow in returning and the service men's families will still be here. I called the National Housing Agency in San Francisco to find out what their policy in regard to permitting the building of homes will now be. The question has been submitted by telegram to Washington and as soon as a policy statement is available I will transmit it throughg this column and by direct letter to the interested people of the District so they can plan accordingly.

MARRIAGE LICENSE

PRINCE-MAIN—In Nevada City, Nevada County, Aug. 22, 1945, John Arnold Price, 34, and Lenora Elsie Main, 37, both of Grass Valley.

FORMER RESIDENT PASSES

Mrs. Mollie Trezona former Nevada City resident died in Idaho after a long illness. The body is being taken to Lead South Dakota to be burried besides that of her husband who died some years ago.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CHURCH

Christian Science Society of Nevada City holds services every Sunday in their church, 114 Boulder St. at 11 o'clock, Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. A Wednesday evening testimonial meeting is held on the first Wednesday of each month at eight o'clock. Our reading room is located temporarily in the church edifice at 114 Boulder St. and is open Mondays, Wednesday and Fridays, holidays excepted from 2 to 4 p. m. The public is cordially invited to attend our services and visit the reading room.

For the subject "Mind" the Chistian Science Lesson Sermon on August 26 has the following Golden Text: "Blessed be the name of God for ever and ever; for he giveth wisdom and might are his: he giveth wisdom unto the wise and knowledge to them that know understanding" (Dan. 2:20,21).

Exceruts from the sermon include this verse from the 147th Psalm: "Great is our Lord, and of great power; his understanding is infinite; and this correlative citation from Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" By Mary Baker Eddy: "We can have but one Mind, if that one is infinite." (p. 469.)

Dairy Drafts Uncashed

Nevada County dairymen who have lost of mislaid dairy production payment drafts should report to the local AAA office. The Commodity Credit Corporation has announced that nationally there are uncashed 32,009 outstanding dairy production program drafts issued to American farmers since November 1, 1944. The aggregate amounts to $416,058.09. New drafts may be prepared upon proper certification of dairymen that the original draft was not negotiated by him and that if found it would be returned to the AAA office for cancellation.

The dairy program was begun September 1, 1943 to make direct payment to dairymen to compensate for increased production costs and to maintain milk price levels. Since that time Nevada County dairymen have received $43,174.91 which enabled many of them to increase production despite wartime difficulties. During the past 22 months California farmers have produced more than eight billion pounds of butterfat. California dairymen have been issued 247,706 drafts in the amount of $47,235,445.

EXCESSIVE SPEED ACCIDENT CAUSE

Excessive speed is the cause of nearly one third of all fatal accidents it is pointed out by the California State Automobile Association. Despite the lifting of war time speed restrictions, motorists are urged to continue driving at a moderate rate, to prevent costly and perhaps fatal accidents, and to conserve equipment which will not be replaceable for a considerable period of time.

Antimony is used to harden shrapnel balls and bulet cores, while antimony sulphide is used in the priming mixture for detonating rifle and artillery cartridges.

Women's Labor and U. S. Machines Let England Eat

DAVIS, Aug. 23—British women and American farm machinery contributed vitally to the production of food in England during the war. Agricultural production was stepped up to a mark where the English were almost self sufficient in food production, and entirely so as far as sugar and some other important foods were concerned.

This is the judgment of Roy Bainer, professor of agricultural engineering on the Davis campus of the University of California who has returned from England, where he went to advise the British ministry of agriculture on the use of machinery in production of sugar beets. He found sugar beet production at a high peak, one county producing a bigger crop than California.

Seventy two five acre test plots will be planted with seed sheared by the method devised by Bainer, and adopted generally in this country. Four sugar beet harvesters will be tried in the pulling and topping of the crop this year.

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